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BIG FIRE IN ST. LOUIS

Several Buildings Damaged by the Flames.

BLAZE STARTED IN PAPER FACTORY.

Scores of Girls Barely Escaped With Their Lives—Firemen Handicapped by Narrow Streets and Overhanging Wires.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2.—Fire was discovered in the F. O. Sawyer & Co. paper factory on Locust, near Third street, yesterday afternoon, and within an hour the establishment was in ruins and a number of adjoining buildings were badly damaged. The general loss is estimated at over \$200,000. Just how the fire started is not known, the flames suddenly bursting from the building. It contained highly inflammable material and was soon a roaring furnace.

Within a few moments after the flames were discovered coming from the second story of the Sawyer building they leaped across the street to the three-story building on the southeast corner. The ground floor of this building is occupied by the Brown & Clark Printing company. The second floor is occupied by the Commercial Printing company, and the Flamminger & Graham bookbindery occupies the third floor. On the upper floors of this building were over a score of girls, employed in the bindery and printing office, and these had barely time to put on their wraps and run down the stairs, when the flames and smoke rolled in through the windows and broke through the roof.

The fire started at 3:25 o'clock, and the larger part of the block of buildings was in flames before 4 o'clock, every engine in the downtown district fighting the fire, with others coming in every minute.

On both sides of this street from Olive to Locust are ink and paper houses and job printing establishments. On the north side of Locust street is the four-story building occupied by the Con P. Curran Railroad Printing company, employing several hundred men and girls. Simultaneous with the spread of the flames to the east side of Third street the flames jumped across to the Curran building, and in an incredibly short time the entire Locust street front of the building was in full flame. There was a stampede among the employees on the top floor, and it fortunately all succeeded in getting out without any injury, so far as could be learned.

In the Sawyer Paper company there were 500 girls. These were scattered all over the neighborhood by the time the engines arrived. Many were in hysterics.

The building adjoining that of Sawyer on the south is occupied by the Accident Insurance company and the Fidelity Casualty company. Adjoining this on the south is the five-story structure occupied by the Woodward-Tierman Printing company. The roof of the insurance building caught fire, and so did that of the Woodward-Tierman building.

For a time so rapid and fierce was the progress of the flames that it looked as though both these buildings would be destroyed, but their contents, the flames were handi-capped in fighting the fire by reason of the narrowness of the streets and the huge web of telephone, telegraph and electric bell wires that were strung in front of the upper parts of the buildings.

At 5 o'clock the flames were under control. The fire continued to burn all night, however, feeding upon the printers' ink and paper. While running to the fire a hose reel collided with a street car, and Philip Bruce, the driver, sustained three broken ribs.

Met John on Trade Conditions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn of the war department has returned to the city after a six weeks' tour of inspection of military posts from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. He said that he had noted everywhere an improvement in business conditions and a growing confidence that the country was entering once more on an era of prosperity.

Winter Won't Talk.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 2.—When asked about the report that he was to become president of the reorganized Union Pacific, Edwin W. Winter, ex-president of the Northern Pacific and formerly general manager of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha, said he had not been offered the position and did not care to accept or decline it in advance of any word in regard to the matter.

Hurt by Drop of a Coal Bucket.

WEST POINT, Dec. 2.—A large iron coal bucket weighing half a ton fell from the electric coal tramway yesterday afternoon and struck Private Blaine of the army service detachment, injuring him so severely that it is thought he cannot recover. One of his legs is frightfully mangled and will be amputated tonight. Blaine is 26 years of age and a New York recruit.

Shot and Killed His Wife.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Albert Dolyse, a blacksmith, shot and killed his wife yesterday afternoon during a quarrel. The two had not lived happily for some time and just before the shooting had engaged in a domestic row. Dolyse was arrested.

Spicer Murderers Set Free.

ARK, Dec. 2.—Defender and the remaining two of the Spicer murderers, were set free yesterday. They were escorted by an armed force of forty scouts and will stand at Standing Rock. Considerable length of the guard, so attending will be made.

WHOLESALE POISONING.

Patients in the Hospital at Gallipolis Have a Narrow Escape.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Dec. 2.—Two hundred and fifty patients at the Epilepsy hospital were poisoned yesterday. Dr. Rutter and his corps of physicians succeeded only after a desperate fight in preventing fatalities. As it is, some of the patients are still in a critical condition.

The presumption among the hospital physicians is that the poison came from some article of food eaten by the patients, and the bacteriological department is making a rigid analysis of the food cooked during the past few days.

Some think a deleterious drug was placed in some of the victuals, and that, with the wholesale discharge of employees, has put the institution in the greatest excitement.

ALL RECORDS SMASHED.

Ashtabula Received More Than Three Million Tons of Ore During 1897.

ASHTABULA, O., Dec. 2.—The receipts of ore at this port for the season of 1897 have passed the 3,000,000 ton notch, surpassing all records ever made in one year by any ore receiving port in this or any other country on the globe. The receipts for November were 179,339 tons, which swelled the total for the season to Dec. 1 to 2,954,339 tons, and between midnight, Nov. 30, and yesterday noon 13,151 tons were received on the custom house books, making the grand total 3,002,550 tons.

The coal shipments for November were 177,318 tons, and the total shipments for the season will greatly exceed those of the best previous seasons.

To Improve New York Harbor Entrances.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—At a meeting of the board of trade and transportation the report of the committee on ocean transportation was submitted. It contained resolutions relating to an appropriation by congress for the deepening of the channels of approach to the harbor of New York, as recommended by the engineers of the war department, which were adopted. The resolutions call upon the mayor of New York to call a meeting of representative citizens to consider this question and to appoint a committee of 100 citizens to co-operate with committees from the various commercial organizations here to urge upon congress the appropriation of the money necessary to secure this object.

Set by Orphans' Home.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 2.—Vice Chancellor Stevens has begun taking testimony here in the suit of the Home for Indigent and Orphan Children of Hartford against George R. Lord. It is claimed that George M. Bartholomew, the treasurer of the Charter Oak Insurance company of Hartford, who defaulted in 1857 for \$1,000,000, loaned from 1875 to 1885 to George R. Lord funds of the home amounting to nearly \$20,000 for the improvement of an estate of which Lord was executor. The institution seeks to have the amount loaned to Lord made a lien on the estate. Lord claims that he repaid nearly all of the amount with which he is charged and that he never received the balance.

Exile McBride in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—John J. McBride of Buffalo, better known as Exile McBride because of his expulsion from Ireland for participation in the Fenian agitation, arrived here yesterday. He is on his way to Washington to attend the opening of congress, and says he stopped over here to purchase a silk herring bag which he will take with him to Ireland next year on the anniversary of the revolution in that country 100 years ago. The banner will be inscribed with the names of President McKinley, Cardinal Gibbons, the "Men of 1798," Governor Black and Chauncey M. Depew. McBride was born in Ireland in 1847, but is now a naturalized citizen of the United States.

Hold Up by Highwaymen.

BELLEFOURTE, Pa., Dec. 2.—While driving along the public road two miles east of this city Milton Bickel aged 19 years, was held up by two men with guns, brutally assaulted and robbed of \$15. Bickel tried to escape, but was quickly halted by a bullet which struck him on the breast, but was warded off by a button. The bullet passed between his arm and body and did no injury. One man held Bickel's horse while the other went through his clothes, relieving him of everything he had. Warrants were sworn out for the arrest of the highwaymen, and officers were immediately sent in search of them.

Shot Himself For a Woman.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—According to a dispatch to The Daily Mail from Vienna, Baron Passetti shot himself outside the residence of an American widow, Mrs. Kittinger, to whom he had been making love for some time. Having seen her in company with other men, he became infuriated with jealousy. He called at the residence of Mrs. Kittinger after midnight to demand an explanation, but was refused admittance. He then drew his revolver and shot himself.

Senator Hanna Has the Grip.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 2.—Senator Hanna has been suffering with a severe cold for the last few days, and yesterday it developed into a case of grip, and he was ordered to bed by his physician. He will probably be confined to his home for several days and will not be able to be in Washington at the opening of congress.

Movements of Warships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The Machias has arrived at Hongkong and the Raleigh at Syracuse. The torpedo boat flotilla has sailed from Havana for St. Catherine's.

FAMINE ON KLONDIKE

Captain Hansen Gives Some Official Information.

ALARMING SHORTAGE OF PROVISIONS

People Are Fleeing From Dawson City. Steamers Arrived With Much Less Supplies Than Had Been Expected—Starvation Imminent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.—Official information of the danger of starvation at Dawson in the Klondike has now reached here. It comes in a letter from Captain Hansen, manager of the Alaska Commercial company on the Yukon. He knows exactly the condition of affairs, for there is no guesswork about his knowledge of the amount of food in the country. The letter is dated Oct. 16, after the unexpected arrival of the steamers Weare and Bella at Dawson, and his most startling statement is that the Weare had only 63 tons of supplies on board, instead of 180, as had been stated, and that the Bella carried only 78 tons.

Captain Hansen refrains from predictions, but his statements concerning the food supply on hand, the number of persons dependent thereon, the very scant additions received by the two last steamers and the exodus of people to places where food may be obtained all point to famine during the winter. His statement is accepted as the most trustworthy that has come from Dawson and confirms the news sent by some newspaper correspondents that unless a great many people leave Dawson very soon some of them will starve.

Hansen's account of the situation is that there were 5,000 persons in Dawson; 500 of these had left town at the time of his writing. As far as it was possible to ascertain there were provisions enough to feed 3,500 persons through the winter, and more people were then preparing to go away, going either up or down the river to some place where food could be obtained.

How to Get to the Klondike.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Mayor Strong has received from M. D. Jenkins, secretary of the state of Washington, an official communication sent out by the state of Washington for the benefit of persons intending to go to the Klondike, informing them of the exact conditions that will have to be contended with and describing the various routes. Among other things, the letter says: "No person should start for the gold-fields with less than \$200, excluding his transportation to Puget sound. This sum will be barely sufficient for one man for one year with the scant necessities of life and traveling under the most formidable circumstances. Of the many thousands who have gone in this year not more than half a dozen have lost their lives, and these have been from carelessness."

Justice Field's Retirement.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Justice Field's retirement from the supreme court, of which he gave official notice to the president last April, took place yesterday. There was no formality attendant upon it. The justice was not present in the courtroom, and as he had not sat with the court on any day since the opening day of the term the proceedings did not differ in any respect from those of ordinary days. It had been supposed that the general transfer of the seats of the associate justices, which always occurs when the senior associate retires, would take place, but even this formality was postponed until Monday next. On that day Justice Harlan, who now becomes the senior associate, will change his seat from the left to the right side of the chief justice, taking the seat vacated by Mr. Field, and Justice Gray will become Chief Justice. Fuller's neighbor on the left. All the other justices will move up one chair nearer the chief. If Justice Field's term had continued until next Tuesday he would have had 44 years of continuous service. Under the law he will draw full salary until his death.

The Public Debt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The December statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business Nov. 30 the public debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$1,009,228,465, a decrease since Oct. 30 of \$11,328,125. This decrease is accounted for by an increase in the cash due to the deposit of an installment of the proceeds of the sale of the government's interest in the Union Pacific railroad. But for this transaction the cash in the treasury would have been \$711,150 less than last month. The debt is recapitulated as follows: Interest bearing debt, \$851,263,620, debt on which interest has ceased since maturity, \$1,331,280; debt bearing no interest, \$231,193,125. Total, \$1,221,890,025.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New York: Apex, A. S. Pierson; Rovina Center, Alexander Hudson; Cullen, George C. Crossman; East Windham, H. Anibal Butts; Jewett, George H. Chase; Killbuck, W. W. Pemberton; Lee Center, W. H. Wyman; Leeds, Louis F. Teich; Purdy Creek, William Donaldson; Sharon, John Malony; Sylvan Lake, R. J. Sheeran; Weston, G. W. Rosenkrans; Pennsylvania: Birch Runville, Mrs. I. L. De-weese; Conansque, A. H. Bostwick; Landisburg, L. Katherine Eaton; Lysville, B. F. Kell; Souderton, M. K. Berkey.

Madison City Railway Sold.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 2.—The Madison city railway was sold under foreclosure yesterday afternoon for \$10,000. The road was bid in by Trustee Newcomb for the bondholders.

RIOTING IN AUSTRIA.

Mobs Creating Disturbances in Many Cities.

PROSPECTS OF THE NEW MINISTRY.

Soldiers Greeted by Citizens With Missiles—Articles in Newspapers Said to Have Incited the Populace. Shots Fired at Police.

VIENNA, Dec. 2.—The prospects for the new ministry are ominous. The assignment of portfolios has been received on all sides with frigid reserve, and although the dismissal of Count Badeni has allayed the spirit of rebellion in Vienna and the German towns anarchy has broken out in the Slav and Czech towns and provinces.

It looks as though Baron Gautsch would have as great difficulties to face in the demands of the Czechs and Socialists as Count Badeni had. Seeing the success that mob influence has had in Vienna in bringing about the downfall of Count Badeni, the Czechs are trying by the same influence to bring pressure to bear upon the new cabinet.

The parliamentary situation is unchanged and hopeless. Baron Gautsch has conferred with the leaders of the majority and the leaders of the minority, but so far both parties appear irreconcilable.

Rioting in Prague.

PRAGUE, Bohemia, Dec. 2.—The mobs that have been creating such disorder and violence in this city are still at their work. Yesterday afternoon the riots increased. The synagogue windows and the windows of the houses of Jews displaying German trade signs in several streets of the Jewish quarter were smashed.

Since 6 o'clock last evening the streets have been held by 12 battalions of infantry and a squadron of Hussars. All traffic is suspended, and the shops and business houses are closed.

In spite of the military, a large Czech mob made a descent during the evening upon the German quarter and plundered houses and shops in several streets. The furniture of a well known German cafe was piled up in the street and set on fire. When a detachment of troops approached to disperse the rioters, the soldiers were greeted with showers of stones, broken glass and other missiles. The officer in command ordered his troops to prepare to fire, but at the urgent request of a police official the order was not carried into effect.

Shortly after 9 o'clock a mob attempted to storm a cartridge factory at Zizkow, a suburb of Prague, on the other side of the Moldau. The troops stationed at the factory poured a volley into the crowd. It is known that at least two persons were killed outright, and it is feared that others were killed or wounded.

The same body of rioters set fire to a house at Zizkow, but the flames were soon quenched. In various other parts of the city and the suburbs windows were smashed and German signboards demolished. It is said that the mob was incited by articles in the Czech newspapers and by a false report that the German students had organized an attack upon the Czech National theater.

At a late hour threatening crowds made repeated rushes and attempts to storm the German newspaper offices, but by 11 o'clock the town was quiet, and the troops had been withdrawn except patrols at threatened points.

In Smichow, the southwest suburb of Prague and a thickly populated industrial quarter, at a late hour in the evening a riotous mob attacked and plundered the German National school. The rioters fired shots at the police detachment which arrived on the scene to disperse them, whereupon the commanding officer, acting with great promptitude, drew his revolver and fired at one of the ringleaders, the bullet piercing his arm. He then arrested the man, and the result of this energetic action was the dispersal of the mob without much further difficulty.

The German gymnasium in the Altstadt (Old Town) in the center of the city, was plundered by a mob, which was finally dispersed by a combined charge of soldiers and police.

As a result of the riots and disorders of the last 24 hours the authorities have proclaimed the city under martial law. The chief of police, who is a Czech, was discovered encouraging rioters and has been suspended from office. It is now known that the number of injured Germans reaches 300. They are being cared for at the various hospitals.

The disturbances have amounted almost to a rebellion. Thousands of Czechish miners streamed into Prague last evening from the surrounding villages to assist the rioters. The scientific instruments in the German university and high school have been destroyed, and valuable archives, preserved for a long time at the Kinsky palace, the largest in the Altstadt, have been burned.

It has been dangerous for Germans to venture into the streets, as any use of the German language meant certain assault. A meeting of a German society in honor of the eightieth birthday of Professor Theodor Mommsen was prohibited by the authorities, who feared it might provoke a collision.

Two special sufferers from the riots are Baron von Achrenthal, a representative of the German land owners in the reichsrath, and Count von Salm. Baron von Achrenthal's palace is on the Wenzelsplatz. The mob smashed the windows and tore out the window frames on the ground floor last night. Similar outrages were committed at Count von Salm's palace, which is the editorial office of the German paper Bohemia.

The Wenzelsplatz, where the revolution of 1848 began, has been the chief center of excitement. It is about 80 yards in width and 750 yards in length and will hold 100,000 people.

SIBYL SANDERSON WEDS.

The Singer Is Married at Last to Antonio Terry.

PARIS, Dec. 2.—Antonio Terry and Sibyl Sanderson, the American actress, were married in this city yesterday. The wedding was a quiet affair. The bride was converted to Catholicism two days ago. The civil ceremony was performed at the mairie of Passy, and the religious ceremony at the convent chapel in the avenue Malakoff. The couple have gone to the south of France and to Italy for their honeymoon.

Sibyl Sanderson is a daughter of California. Her father was chief justice of the state, and her mother was a noted beauty. She was born in Sacramento and was taken out of the San Francisco schools at an early age to be educated in France. Her debut as a professional singer was made at The Hague in 1883. She made her fame in Massenet's operas, and she once said that Massenet taught her all she knew. She was criticized severely for allowing herself to become almost exclusively identified with characters derived from the demimonde.

Miss Sanderson returned to America in January, 1895, and sang with the Abbey Schofield & Grau company in the Metropolitan Opera House. Antonio Terry came over on the same steamer. Their love affair was then much talked about, and Miss Sanderson said that she intended to marry the rich Cuban as soon as his wife obtained a divorce from him. Her appearance in opera here proved a disappointment, and she returned to Paris the following May. Mr. Terry sailed with her. Since then she has not visited this country.

PANDO REPORTED KILLED.

He Was the Leader of Spanish Military Operations in Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 2.—A report that General Pando, who was placed in charge of military operations in Cuba by General Blanco, has been killed in an engagement with insurgents in Santa Clara province has just reached Havana.

This report has caused the most intense excitement in the palace and official circles, and every effort is being made by them to get news from General Pando's force and to find out the truth or falsity of the startling news.

No details of the killing of the Spanish commander have been received beyond the statement that he was shot in a battle with a force of insurgents while on the march from Sagua la Grande, on the northern coast of Santa Clara, to Trinidad, on the southern coast of the same province, where he was to take a ship and go to Manzanillo, in the eastern province of Santiago de Cuba.

Officials at the palace declare that the story must be thoroughly confirmed before they will believe it. They say the last reports from General Pando were that he would be in or on his way to Manzanillo by this time.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The Ashland House at Candor, N. Y., was burned.

Hotel Balmoral, on Mount McGregor, near Saratoga, totally destroyed by fire.

The St. James' Gazette says the Prince of Wales has engaged Tod Sloan, the American jockey, to ride for him next season.

The government of the republic of Colombia has been importing hundreds of cases of arms lately. A presidential election is to be held in the republic on Dec. 5.

Charles Warren Spalding, ex-president of the Globe Savings Bank of Chicago, was sentenced to an indeterminate term in the penitentiary. He was charged with embezzling funds of the University of Illinois, of which he was treasurer.

Bertha Mellish Still Missing.

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., Dec. 2.—The Mount Holyoke trustees have increased the reward offered for the discovery of Miss Bertha Lane Mellish, the missing girl, from \$50 to \$500. Miss Mellish disappeared nearly three weeks ago and no trace of her has been found. It is supposed that she was drowned in the Connecticut river.

Ross Mackenzie Dead.

TORONTO, Dec. 2.—Information has been received here of the death at Nelson, B. C., of Ross Mackenzie, a fine all around athlete, best known as a harness player. For years he was the holder of the world's record for throwing the ball. He had been in charge of the Crows Nest pass construction.

The John E. Liggott Estate.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 2.—Letters of administration on the estate of the late John E. Liggott, the millionaire boot-maker, have been taken out by his widow, who was made executrix. The estate is valued at \$3,500,000.

The President at Church.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The report that the president would withdraw from the Metropolitan Methodist church on account of the sermon preached by its pastor on Thanksgiving day is denied. It is probable, however, that the president will be seen less frequently at that church and will attend services more often elsewhere.

PLUM FOR CORNELL.

Henry Sage's Late Residence to Be a Students' Hospital.

GIVEN BY DEAN AND WILLIAM H. SAGE

The Property Is Worth \$80,000—Will Have an Endowment Fund of \$100,000—President Schurman Much Pleased With the Gift.

ITHACA, N. Y., Dec. 2.—William H. Sage of Ithaca and Dean Sage of Albany have presented to Cornell university the magnificent residence of the late Henry W. Sage for a students' hospital and, besides equipping it, will endow it with \$100,000. The property is worth \$80,000.

Following is the letter received by Cornell university trustees:

Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 30.
Executive Committee Cornell University:
Dear Sirs:—We desire to present Cornell university, as a memorial to our late father, his former residence on East State street, in this city, with part of grounds, under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by its board of trustees, as a hospital for students in Cornell university and to be known as "The Cornell Infirmary." It is our intention to make such additions and alterations to the house as shall be necessary to fit it for its future purposes; to furnish and equip it in a suitable manner and to provide it with an endowment fund of \$100,000 income, which shall forever be used solely for the maintenance and needs of the infirmary. If this gift is accepted on the above conditions, we will pass title to real estate at once and pay over the endowment on or before the beginning of the university year '98, or, at our option, earlier if the infirmary shall be ready for use before that date. Yours truly,

DEAN AND WILLIAM H. SAGE.
President Schurman expressed great satisfaction on receipt of the splendid gift to the university.

"We have," he said, "long been in need of a hospital for the sick students and efforts to secure one have been made in the past. At present our students go to Ithaca hospital, which is small and greatly overcrowded by city patients. Hereafter the young men and women attending Cornell will have a hospital for their own exclusive use, owned and controlled by the university. The building has one of the best sites in the city and, while elevated above the city and surrounding streets, is yet easily accessible by electric road and distant from the main thoroughfares. The house is of stone and is solidly built."

"It is understood that with the grounds Mr. Sage's home cost originally over \$80,000. Since his sons propose to make alterations and additions and furnish and equip it completely it will, when turned over to the university, no doubt represent a cost not far from \$100,000, which with the endowment fund makes a total gift of about \$200,000."

"There will be a night nurse and a day nurse as permanent employees. The endowment will be used to pay for their services and to defray the cost of heat, light, repairs and other operating expenses. The students will pay for the actual cost of their board while in the infirmary, and it is hoped that if they occupy general wards \$1 a day may cover all expenses."

"For special accommodations there will be a higher tariff. Of course the students will engage and pay for their own physicians, and also for special nurses in severe case of illness where special nurses may be necessary."

"It is believed, however, that with the munificent endowment supplied by the Messrs. Sage the students who are ailing can live in a stately and beautiful home of the late chairman of the board and have satisfactory provision made for all their needs at rates not in excess of those now charged by the public hospitals of Ithaca."

Will Fight For Klondike Trade.

TORONTO, Dec. 2.—The competition between the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk railroads for business into the Klondike next spring is likely to lead to a war of rates between the two great lines. The Canadian Pacific road claims a differential on western business and has recently issued a tariff, making a reduction in rates equal to this differential. The Grand Trunk road at once met the lower rates. Taking the rates of the Grand Trunk as a basis, the Canadian Pacific has issued another tariff below that of its rival. If the Grand Trunk meets these rates, it is very probable that the Canadian Pacific will make a still further reduction.

Cold Weather Out West.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 2.—Of the northwestern stations of the government weather bureau the warmest one at 7 o'clock last night was that at Duluth, which records zero. At the same hour it was 4 degrees below in St. Paul, 6 degrees below in Huron, 10 degrees below at Winnipeg, 12 degrees below at Duluth, Battleford and Minnola, 18 degrees below at Williston, 20 degrees below at Medicine Hat and 30 degrees below at Havre.

The Alert Off to Nicaragua.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The navy department has sent orders to the United States Corvette Alert, now at San Francisco, to proceed to Brito, Nicaragua. This place is at the western terminus of the proposed Nicaragua canal, and the vessel will be kept there in readiness to co-operate with the canal commission which is about to start for the eastern terminus on the gunboat Newport.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 2.—Rain to-night and Friday.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Frank's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., 27°; 12 m., 29°; 3 p. m., 39°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

- Dec. 3—Bachelor Social Club's hop.
- Dec. 6—Hon. John Temple Graves, Y. M. C. A., at Casino.
- Dec. 8—Monahan Stage, at truck house.
- Dec. 9—Barrel Opening, at North Street Congregational Church.
- Dec. 8—Wm. E. Gell's magnificent illustrated lecture on "Pain," with his own copyright views.
- Dec. 9—"The Coming of the King," by Grace Church choir.
- Dec. 9—Fair of Waukill Hose Co., at Assembly Rooms.
- Dec. 10—11—"Mystic Midnights" at Casino, by St. Paul's M. E. Sunday School.
- Dec. 13—14—Comic Opera, "Priscilla," for the benefit of Thrall Hospital, at the Casino.
- Dec. 16—Concert and ball by 24th Separate Co. Band, at Casino.
- Dec. 23—Ball of Phoenix Engine Co., at Assembly Rooms.
- Dec. 25—Excelsior Social.
- Nov. 25—Dec. 1—Hypnotist Eady and company, at Casino.
- Dec. 20—Ball of Ontario Hose Co., at Assembly Rooms.
- Dec. 21—Masquerade ball, at Casino, under Geo. Lee's management.
- Jan. 21—Excelsior Social.
- Jan. 24—John Thomas Concert Co., Y. M. C. A., at Casino.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 1897.

The Hazelton, Pa., Standard claims to have discovered the meanest of mean corporations. It says that the musicians of Houston, Tex., sent \$100 to be distributed among the widows and orphans of the miners murdered by Sheriff Martin's deputies at Lattimer. Culvin Martin & Co., by whom the dead miners had been employed, were asked to distribute the little fund, and the Standard says that the company has just done so after deducting the store bills owed by the men at the time of the slaughter.

Rev. Dr. Johnson, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, which President McKinley attends, ranted in his Thanksgiving sermon against rum, jiu-jitsu and socialism. He is supposed to have been impelled to this imitation of Burehard's "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" by fear that Attorney-General McKenna, a Roman Catholic, may be elevated to the Supreme bench. The sermon has caused the President no little annoyance and it is intimated that he will find it convenient to attend another church, thus leaving pastor Johnson to reflect on the folly of preaching politics instead of religion.

BOARD OF CHARITIES.

Regular Meeting—Business Transacted, Wednesday Afternoon.

The regular meeting of the Board of Charities was held at the council chamber, Wednesday afternoon, ex-Mayor Isenman presiding. The supervisors present were Messrs. Wood, Isenman and Boyd.

Gen. James Post reported the distribution of \$15.50, and \$12.90 on hand.

Dr. B. Pillsbury's bill for \$100 for performing tracheotomy upon the Billings child was audited at \$10.

Other bills audited were:

Sup't's. disbursements, \$235.23

John Donovan, ambulance, 3.00

Dr. Chas. Collins, services, 10.00

W. H. Wood, 3 mos. salary, 75.00

E. M. Schultz, " " " " 100.00

Missionary Union, relief, 50.00

W. L. Douglas, agent, Billings child, 10.00

MORE RIOTING AT PRAGUE.

Store Houses Pillaged—Troops Called Out and Martial Law Proclaimed.

PRAGUE, Dec. 2.—Rioting recommenced at 3 o'clock, this morning, when store houses in two streets of the old town were pillaged. Seven battalions of infantry and two squadrons of cavalry were immediately called out. Additional troops are en route.

Martial law has been proclaimed here as well as in the judicial districts of Karolinenthal, Ziskow and Weinberg as a result of rioting.

POLICE COURT.

A case of alleged board pumping is being tried before Recorder Barnes and a jury, to-day.

Coughs, colds, pneumonia and fevers may be prevented by keeping the blood pure and the system toned up with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"For three years I suffered from salt rheum. It covered my hands to such an extent that I could not wash them. Two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters cured me." Libbie Young, Popes Mills, St. Lawrence county, N. Y.

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MILLION DOLLAR FORECLOSURE.

begin by a New York Trust Company Against the Elmira Municipal Improvement Company.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Suit was instituted to-day, in the Supreme Court, in behalf of the Guarantee Trust Company, to foreclose a mortgage exceeding a million dollars on property at Elmira belonging to the Elmira Municipal Improvement Company.

Plaintiff asks that a receiver be appointed and an injunction issued restraining the officers of the company from disposing of the mortgaged property.

DEAD MISSIONARIES COME HIGH.

China's Emperor Don't Like Germany's Demand for Redress.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—A Shanghai dispatch, this afternoon, announces that the Emperor of China declared he would rather forfeit the crown than acquiesce in the conditions demanded by Germany as redress for the murder of two missionaries and the destruction of German mission property in the Shaantung Province.

Admiral Diedrich, the German commander, has proclaimed martial law in the district around Kiao-Chow.

GOT HIS FORMER PLACE.

Blanche K. Bruce, Colored, Appointed Register of the Treasury.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—The President has appointed Blanche K. Bruce, of Mississippi, Register of the Treasury. Bruce represented Mississippi in the Senate in reconstruction days and is one of the best known negro Republicans in the country. He was Register of the Treasury once before.

BAFFLED TRAIN ROBBERS.

Unsuccessful Attempt to Rob a Train on a Mexican Railroad.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 2.—An attempt was made by masked and armed Mexicans to hold up a passenger train on the Mexican National Railroad, near Monterey, last night. The passengers resisted and finally drove the outlaws away. The outlaws are being pursued by soldiers.

PRESIDENT'S MOTHER STRICKEN.

Prostrated by Paralysis This Morning and Not Likely to Recover.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

CANTON, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, the President's mother, was stricken with paralysis this forenoon. It is feared death is only a question of hours.

EARTHQUAKE IN KANSAS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WICHITA, Dec. 2.—A slight earthquake shock startled the citizens of this place soon after midnight.

ARKANSAS CITY, Dec. 2.—An earthquake shock of considerable violence was felt here at one o'clock this morning. Many in alarm rushed from their houses.

FATAL BOILER EXPLOSION.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

TITUSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 2.—By the explosion of the engine on a street car line near East Titusville Jacob Miller, the engineer, and Chas. Miller, his son, were fatally hurt. President Dunham, of the company, and a laborer were seriously injured.

DON'T WANT THE PLACE.

Warren J. Adams Has Declined To Qualify as Alderman for the Third Ward.

Warren J. Adams, vice president of the Board of Health, who was appointed Alderman for the Third Ward, has declined the doubtful honor.

President Ogden seems to think the earth will yawp if the Third Ward is left over night with only one Alderman, has called a special meeting of the Council to appoint a new man in place of Mr. Adams.

It is possible that the Republican machine will now consent to the appointment of George McKay, who was heavily assessed when a candidate but who was turned down at the polls. He ought to be given a show for his money.

Firemen's Successful Fair.

Clinton Hose Co., of Kingston, netted about \$700 by the fair which it recently held. The company will "blow in" part of its big stake by holding a banquet.

One Minute Cough Cure cures quickly. That's what you want! W. D. Olney.

FACE HUMORS

Pimples, blotches, blackheads, red, rough, oily, mothy skin, itching, sealy scalp, dry, thin, and falling hair, and baby blemishes prevented by CUTICURA Soap, the most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world, as well as a perfect and safe toilet, bath, and nursery.

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FELT BOOTS

are not very handsome, in fact they are not made for style, but to keep feet dry and warm. For farmers or any one who is out doors there is nothing for protection like a good felt boot—Now we have felt boots at all prices, but the combination boot and over at \$1.98 is in every way first-class, a very satisfactory boot for wear.

We have knit boots—white felt boots—Snag-proof overs. In fact, we can give you a good thing in felt boots.

AYRES' NEW SHOE STORE,

5 West Main Street.

HAD A BROTHER.

Explanation of a Strange Gastronomical Feat.

A colored waiter in one of the leading hotels of this city has been sorely perplexed for weeks, but the other day he came to a satisfactory solution of the problem confronting him, says the Philadelphia Inquirer. A well-dressed young man, smooth faced, dressed in black, came in for lunch at 12 o'clock one day, and partook heartily of every dish on the bill of fare, rewarding the waiter with a substantial tip for his diligence. Two hours later the waiter sped the same man at his table, and wonderingly hastened to supply his wants. The customer ordered everything on the bill and devoured it with evident relish and satisfaction. He left, tipping the waiter. The same thing occurred the next day, and the next, and the next, for two weeks, till all the waiters in the place became interested, marveling at the epicurean propensities of the man, till one of them ventured: "Say, mistah, 'scuse me, but how can you eat so much so close together?" The man was now perplexed, "Eat much, why?" he queried. "Cause youze been in fur two dinners every day fur two weeks." "Oh, no, I haven't," he answered. "Share you has, mistah." Matters were becoming embarrassing till the customer in black bethought that his twin brother dined there regularly at noon.

WONDERFUL STORIES THAT COME FROM THE RAPPAHANNOCK.

Mr. D. M. Nelson, agent of the Weems Steamboat company, at Urbana, on the Rappahannock river, Virginia, brought up to Baltimore a curiosity discovered by him which has created considerable interest among steamboat people about Light street wharf, says the Baltimore American. It is a live oyster of large size, growing out of the mouth of an yeast powder bottle, which was found on the shore of the Rappahannock river.

The oyster is considerably larger than the bottle, and only a very small portion is inside. Upon the sides of the bottle are several small oysters of tiny size, firmly fastened there.

Mr. Nelson has brought up a story more wonderful than his oysters, and for which there has as yet been no evidence produced. It is of an old gentleman who lives near Urbana, and who, so the story goes, while bathing during the summer, lost a set of false teeth, which floated away or went to the bottom. Last week, while dredging, an oysterman brought up to the surface a pair of false teeth, around which a number of oysters were clinging, some of which were of good size, and fastened on firmly. The old gentleman promptly identified his teeth, and keeps them as a curiosity.

Request Cheese.

It is estimated that over 6,000 farmers and others in France make their living by the manufacture of Roquefort cheese. Formerly the value of the product of this cheese every year was \$5,000,000, but lately the demand for it is much decreased.

Blankets and Comfortables.

We can suit you, both in price and quality. Come and see.

H. E. CHURCHILL & CO.

No. 39 North Street.

Warm Lined Shoes.

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Men's Buckle Arctics 85c.

AT STERN'S.

A Few Items Worth Mentioning.

Our Millinery Department is as near perfection as it can be made. The entire winter stock is all in—no need for ladies waiting for other styles. Endless variety of Ladies', Misses' and Children's Winter Cloaks. We are acknowledged leaders in these lines. Our assortment is too large and the space too small to mention the different designs and prices. Come and see. Ladies' Shirt Waists in all prices. We have a fine Outing Flannel Waist at 48c. A Plaid Waist, latest cut, detachable collar and cuffs for 98c.—A beauty. Have sold over 25 dozen. Nice enough to wear to a ball. Over 200 Silk Waists in stock. Every style and quality represented from \$2.45 up. No such assortment elsewhere. All at our Handsome Store. If you need a Separate Dress Skirt, remember we are headquarters.

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HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT.

Our Holiday Hat is a beauty. Fur and Cloth Caps, all grades; Mittens and Gloves, all grades. Silk and cassimer Mufflers and Silk Handkerchiefs. Silk Umbrellas or a nice Mackintosh Coat, Underwear and Hosiery.

Ready-made Clothing Sale—We are selling it fast at the price we are offering it at. People know good goods. Now is your time to buy a Suit, Overcoat or Ulster Coat. We want the money and they must go.

MERCHANT TAILORING DEPARTMENT.

Is booming with orders. We still have a good selection of Foreign and Domestic Cloths and people appreciate good work and style at our prices. All are invited to call at

JOHN E. ADAMS,

Leading Hatter and Clothier, No. 41 North Street.

We are Selling

UNDERWEAR!

In Quantities Now.

500 Dozen to choose from. Fine qualities, low prices.

Our Dress Goods Stock

is full and moves rapidly. Come and see the styles we are selling at \$1.69 and \$1.95. Special lines of French Goods \$2.89, \$3.69 and \$4.69 per dress. Linings of every kind cheap.

We are Rushing Out Hosiery.

100 dozen at 10c., 100 dozen at 12½c. 50 kinds to choose from, wool or cotton, plain or ribbed. A special in Fieeced Hose 12½c.

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DAILY ARGUS.

THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 1897.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Double house for rent.
—Drawing for prizes at Greening's.
—Fixtures of Midway Park for sale.
—Good 6 ft boats \$1.50 a day.
—See jury list on third page.
—Coffee 12c a pound at J. W. Sloan's.
—Holiday goods at Economy Store.
—Dinner at Cottage Hotel, tonight.
—Dances at Columbia Park, to-night.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—Large catches of striped bass are being made in the Hudson.

—Sixty Newburgh Masons were the guests of Wallkill Lodge, at Walden, last night.

—Keen competition among Walden blacksmiths has led to wholesale cutting of prices.

—Hypnotist Biddy and his company of vaudeville artists will hold the boards at the Casino, this evening.

—Prices for Prof. Biddy's exhibition of the phenomena of hypnotism are only ten, twenty and thirty cents.

—Patron's transient officer now treats boys who play hockey to a few hours' imprisonment in a cell at police station.

—Mrs. Ann Coleman, seventy-five years old, fell in her home in Port Jervis, Wednesday morning, and fractured her right hip.

—The stranded family which spent Wednesday at the Madison House, received funds by night and went on to Boston.

—Strubell, the Italian who drew a revolver on Chief of Police Brown, of Port Jervis, was sentenced to four months in Albany penitentiary.

—Columbia Lodge of Odd Fellows of Nyack will erect a building costing \$8,000, in which will be stores, a public hall and two lodge rooms.

—Evangelist Gell expects to arrive in Middletown, next Monday, Dec. 6. He will be entertained during his stay in the city at the residence of John E. Corwin.

—Eddie Robinson, a nine-year-old Newburgh boy, was slightly wounded in the breast, Tuesday afternoon by a bullet from an air gun in the hands of a playmate.

—An expert electrician will come from Pennsylvania to take charge of the stereopticon to be used in illustrating the lecture of William E. Gell at the Casino, next Wednesday evening, Dec. 5.

—The sale of the fixtures, furniture, etc., at Midway Park, has been held off awaiting the action of the Traction Company. If they do not purchase, the stuff will be sold at public auction in a fortnight.

—The views to be used in connection with the lecture "Patmos" at the Casino, Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th, are all copyrighted. They are beautifully colored. Being the exclusive property of Evangelist Gell, the only way to see them is in connection with his lecture.

—Evangelist Gell has many friends in this city who greatly desire to hear his lecture at the Casino, next Wednesday evening, Dec. 8th, but they cannot afford the more expensive seats. To enable these friends to attend and enjoy the lecture, the entire gallery has been placed at only twenty-five cents.

—Doctors, lawyers, merchants and mechanics should all hear the lecture, next Monday evening, at the Casino, by Hon. John Temple Graves, and even the ladies will enjoy hearing this brilliant and beautiful orator. Grover Cleveland says: "He is the most brilliant and statesman-like orator heard in New York in years."

—Mrs. Charles Higham is visiting in New York city.

—Mrs. S. M. Boyd is spending a few days in New York.

—Mrs. R. W. Shaw is quite ill at her home on Wickham avenue.

—Michael Carly, of Brooklyn, is in town visiting relatives and friends.

—Peter J. Cummings went to New York, to-day, for a few days' visit.

—Mrs. E. T. Hamford's condition remains unchanged. She is very sick.

—Harry Hanley, of New York, was in town, yesterday, calling on friends.

—H. W. Winchester, of Providence, R. I., is visiting his parents in this city.

—John Mercur, formerly of this city, and now of the Fern Hill House, Liberty, was in town to-day.

—Mrs. C. Frank O'Neil and Mrs. Herbert Swazy, of Goshen, were in this city, yesterday, calling on friends.

—Fred A. Heath, the blind singer is announced to give a concert to-night in the Delhi Presbyterian Church.

—Hotel Keeper Wilson, who has been suffering from kidney trouble, is lying seriously ill at his home in Pine Bush.

—Hon. John Bigelow, of Highland Falls, celebrated his eightieth birthday, Thanksgiving day. He gave a dinner to about thirty invited guests.

—J. F. Gordon is removing with his family from Linden avenue to apartments in John F. Dusenberry's attractive home on Broad street, vacated by Capt. A. E. McFutry.

—Mrs. Benj. Cole, who has been spending a few days with relatives in this city returned to her home in Port Jervis, to-day. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. A. Bailey, of Newburgh, who has also been visiting in this city.

—To-night's Dances.

—Clam chowder, hot coffee and a good time are promised at the dance at Columbia Park, to-night.

—No chowder, no coffee, but beer and lib, and a hot time are the attractions at the Cottage Theatre dance at Mechanic town, to-night.

A VERY STRANGE STORY.

The Matrimonial Complications of Mrs. William Curry—A Husband Who Left Her Eleven Years Ago Caused Her Arrest for Bigamy After She Married a Second Time—Middletown Witnesses in an Interesting Case.

"Gilbert Craig," a tin-smith employed at the Anglo-Swiss condensation, was, it is asserted, "William Curry" at High Falls, N. Y., about eleven years ago. He has lived here nine years under the name of Gilbert Craig, boarding at various houses, and at one time is said to have lived with a woman under a contract of marriage.

When Curry, or Craig, left High Falls he left behind a wife and child, and it is said, several hundred dollars of indebtedness. Mrs. Curry managed to pay off about \$300 of that by hard work as a seamstress. She went to Jersey City and managed to educate and clothe her child, and paid off \$87 more of her husband's indebtedness.

While living there, a few years ago, she received a paper from Pennsylvania, in which the death of her husband, Curry, was announced.

All this time he was employed here as a tin-smith. While he was employed by J. H. Conkling, Mrs. Curry learned that a man answering the description of her husband was here. She came here, and though he had changed greatly, she thought she recognized him. He denied it point blank; and later on, when his father came here, he also denied to him that his name had ever been Curry, and insisted that his proper name was Craig.

Then a new thread came into Mrs. Curry's romance. A wealthy widower named James G. Graham fell in love with her. He saw her struggles for a livelihood, and appreciated her true womanhood. He won her confidence and she told her story. "Sympathy is akin to love," and the two were married.

The Argus' informant in this interesting tale states that the marriage met with the opposition of an adopted son of Graham's. Then the wife's troubles began. A man named John Dunn, of Jersey City, is alleged to have told Mr. Graham that he had seen Curry and that his wife was a bigamist.

The son also worked on the man of wealth, and caused Craig of Middletown to be brought before Graham, so, when Craig confessed that he was Curry, he caused his wife's arrest on a charge of bigamy, but her latest husband, being a girl to be a much injured woman, at once built her out. She brought suit against her first husband and this suit is still pending.

In the meantime Mr. Graham made a will in which he left all of his property to his wife, and soon after died. The reading of the will showed that the son had been cut off with a dollar. The latter then filed a caveat against the will.

The matter has been pending in the Orphans' Court in Jersey City since last May, and the final hearing occurred, to-day.

A detective was here, Friday night, securing some witnesses who went to Jersey City, to-day, to testify in the matter. Among them were W. H. Hyde, and Police Officer Sharpe.

Gilbert Craig was seen at the condensation, this morning, by an Argus representative. He denied the greater part of the story told above by the detective who was here. He stated that he left his wife nine years ago "for cause," and he stated the cause. He denied being other than a boarder at Mrs. Brown's, and says no marriage contract was ever drawn up or signed between them. He admitted that he had denied his identity to his wife and his father, but said that was for reasons of his own. He never sent her any paper announcing his death, and he knew that she was cognizant of his presence in this world. Said he: "She'd like to make me out a Martin Thurn if she could."

He received word, yesterday, that he was wanted at the hearing in the will contest, to-day, but he said that the notice was too short, and he could not get away from his duties.

He states that Graham's son is not an adopted son. During his residence here he worked six years for the O. and W., and has been at the condensation two years, where he tries to be a good workman, and thinks he is liked.

"I'm no angel," he said, "but there are two sides to every story."

His wife, Mrs. Curry, he says, is a half-sister of Alfred W. Sears, of 22 Grove street, this city.

INCURRING HEAVY PENALTIES.

The Newark Traction Company's Neglect to Vestibule Its Cars.

The Newark police are securing the necessary data for use against the traction company in actions to recover penalties for failure to comply with the law requiring the vestibuling of cars in winter. The company has 407 cars licensed for business in Newark and their use involves a penalty of \$10.175 a day. A record of violations will be kept daily until the law is complied with.

The Whippoorwill.

The Wawayanda Whippoorwill will meet, Friday evening, at Mrs. Ophelia Mapes', near this city.

Next Minute May Mean Death

If the heart flutters, palpitates or tires easily, you may be next door to sudden death and not know it. Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gives instant relief and cures. "The pains about my heart were so severe I could hardly breathe. I thought I must die. One dose of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart gave me perfect relief made of 20 minutes, a few bottles cured me. I firmly believe it saved my life."—John Jamieson, Tara, Ont.

Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

PARTED ON WEDDING TRIP.

Mrs. Smith Says She Paid All Bills and Now Asks for Divorce.

The trial of the suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Lydia F. Smith, of No. 233 Mulberry street, Newark, against George H. Smith, now of Warwick, N. Y., on the ground of desertion, was begun, Wednesday morning, before Vice-Chancellor Emery, in Newark.

Mrs. Smith alleges that her husband deserted her twenty-three days after their marriage, after having got all the money he could out of her, and making her pay the honeymoon expenses. It was while they were on the wedding trip that he deserted her, she alleges.

The couple were married in Newark on January 21, 1895, by the Rev. Dr. Luther. Mrs. Smith was formerly Mrs. Lydia Foote Mcker.

The wife said her husband repeatedly told her to go home, and that he had hated her ever since the ceremony. One time he took her on a sleigh ride and dropped the lines purposely so that the horses would run away, she said, and then he drove across a railroad track when two trains were coming. She and a companion jumped from the sleigh and were hurt. Smith just escaped, the witness declared. When they got home, she says, he made her pay \$10 for the sleigh and \$1 for a pair of rubbers he lost. He compelled her to go away from him on February 13, she said, and she had never seen him since.

Frank Bartlett, Mrs. Smith's counsel, told of having received letters from Smith at Warwick, in which he said he did not care whether the divorce was obtained, but he didn't want to pay alimony. No alimony is asked for.

The case went over to December 29, to allow the production of additional evidence.

OBITUARY.

Sarah Gidney.

Sarah Gidney died at her home in Smith's Corner, town of Greenville, Sunday evening last, of consumption, aged seventy-eight years.

The funeral was held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, on Wednesday, the Rev. Mr. Gillespie, of Port Jervis, officiating. The interment was in the Manning cemetery.

The deceased is survived by one sister, Esther, with whom she resided.

WILLIAM ELTING.

William Elting, of Carpenter's Point, died in the Port Jervis Hospital, Wednesday morning, from pneumonia following a heavy cold contracted Thanksgiving Day. He was sixty-nine years old.

Mr. Elting was a son of Rev. Cornelius Elting, the fifth pastor of the Reformed Church of Port Jervis, and a lineal descendant of Jan Elting, who emigrated to this country in 1663, and to whom all the Eltings in New York state trace their ancestry.

He was an uncle of Mrs. J. L. Stillwell, of Bloomingburgh.

What Has Become of "Jim" Moore?

Those Republican machine men who listened to the wise remarks of James Moore, of the O. and W. shops, when he said that "there are only two or three kickers here in the shop," wonder where "Jim" has been since election. Some one suggested his name for the post office and that was the last heard of him politically.

A Case of Destitution.

Frederick Lilley informs the ARGUS that there is a sad case of destitution on Benjamin street, where a man named Lybolt, his wife and five children are without food or fuel. The generous and charitable will find there an opportunity to help a sober, industrious man who cannot find employment.

Poor Season for D. and H. Canal Boatmen.

The last loaded boats have gone through the D. and H. canal, and the water is being let off the levels. The season has been the poorest for boatmen in many years. Many boats have only made four trips.

Arrested for Board Jumping.

At the request of the Port Jervis police a young man named Jackson, of this city, was arrested here, to-day, on a charge of board jumping. He was locked up to await the arrival of a Port Jervis officer.

More Brake Setting, Wednesday Night.

A west bound Erie freight train became stalled on the East Main street crossing, Wednesday night, and an investigation showed that five brakes had been set in the darkness by boys.

Sons of Veterans' Camp Mustered In.

Sergeant Van Erben (camp, No. 18, S. of V.), was mustered in at Port Jervis, Tuesday evening, by Col. J. M. Diven, of Elmira. The camp starts with thirty members. W. H. Wylie is captain.

Buck Raced With an Erie Train.

Engineer Hulshizer, of the Delaware Division of the Erie, says that a few days ago a fine buck raced his engine for three miles, and easily kept about twenty yards ahead.

Win Play on the Manhattan College Nine.

Pete Agnew, of this city, has been engaged by the Manhattan College Athletic Association to catch for the Varsity base ball team the coming season.

Dancing at Nearing Hall.

The "L. G." Club held a dance at Nearing Hall, Wednesday night, which was largely attended and was kept up till a late hour.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Death of Wolf Samuels—Entertained But a Small Audience—Last Foot Ball Game of the Season—Other Notes.

From Our Regular Correspondent

—Wolf Samuels, who died, Wednesday morning, of a complication of diseases at his home in Newburgh, was a brother of the late P. Samuels, of this village. Samuels' clothing house will be closed all day to-day and until 5:30 p. m., Friday, in order that Mr. Samuels' Goshen relatives may attend his funeral which is to be held at 1 o'clock, Friday afternoon.

—The concert in aid of the colored church was poorly attended, Sunday night. The performance was meritorious and will be given at Chester, this evening.

—W. J. Andrews, trainer and driver for the Arden Farms stable in this village, has rented the Petit house on Muray avenue.

—The last football game of the season will be played on the Goshen Driving Park, Saturday afternoon, between the Middletown and Goshen teams.

—Remember the sale of useful and fancy articles at the M. E. Church, this evening.

—Matthew J. Doyle has accepted a position in the township of J. D. Tenthill.

THE DRAKE ESTATE.

Hearing in the Matter of the Transfer Tax.

A hearing in the matter of transfer tax on the Drake estate was held, to-day, at the office of the Union Trust Company in New York city.

W. B. Royce, Esq., of Newburgh, appears for the comptroller and Wheeler, Peckham & Dixon for the executor of the estate, the Union Trust Company.

It was expected that W. D. Stratton would be examined as to values.

Gratitude of Old Ladies' Home Managers.

At the regular meeting of the Old Ladies' Home Society of Orange County, held at the Home, Dec. 1st, the managers learned with gratitude that the response to their call for a Thanksgiving offering had exceeded those of former years.

To all who in any way contributed to the comfort and happiness of those for whom this charity is intended the managers tender their sincere thanks.

Prosperity at Gulf Summit.

There are signs of returning prosperity. A justice of the peace at Gulf Summit, near Deposit, was a few days since offered a bushel of ruta baga turnips and a coon skin to perform a marriage ceremony.

Silver Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Edsall, of Pine Island, have issued invitations for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, Friday evening, Dec. 10.

Foot Ball Notes.

—The Middletown and Goshen teams are announced to meet in the last game of the season on the Goshen Driving Park, Saturday afternoon.

—The Port Jervis eleven was photographed in its padded togs, Wednesday. No camera man, however, portray the scrappiness of the aggregation and therefore the picture taken Wednesday does it scant justice.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup seems as a special providence to little folks. Pleasant to take, perfectly harmless, absolutely safe to give instant relief in all cases of cold or lung trouble.

For earache, put a couple of drops of Thomas' Electric Oil on a bit of cotton and place it in the ear. The pain will stop in a few moments. Simply enough, isn't it?

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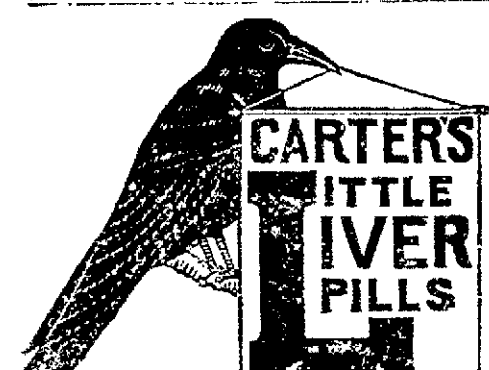
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IN QUEST OF A SCOOP.

A REPORTER'S MIDNIGHT CEASE AFTER BIG NEWS.

I WAS 12:30 o'clock one night last week. The local room of the office was strewn in a semicircular, lit up only by the soft glow of the incandescent lights that shone faintly through the green shades hanging over each typewriter. In front of each one sat a reporter in shirt-sleeves, some without collars or cuffs, and all turning out "copy" as fast as their fingers could fly over the keys of the machines. "B-r-r-r, B-r-r-r," rings the bell in the telephone booth. No answer. "B-r-r-r, B-r-r-r," this time longer; still no answer. "B-r-r-r, B-r-r-r," it does not stop until a young man rises and with a remark not at all complimentary to the person at the other end of the line takes down the receiver. "Hello—hello—hello—well, what is it?" Silence. "What's that? Where? What? What? Jerusalem!" and without the usual "by" he rushes into the city editor's room.

"Westcott's man just called up. He wants to know if we've heard anything about a collision at Smith's coal dock. Says he was towing by there when he heard two big fellows come together with a crash and there was lots of screaming. Fog was too thick to see anything."

The city editor looked up, half buried in copy. "Call up the dock and ask them."

"He says they have nothing to say, and won't tell even the names of the boats. It must be a big thing or they would be willing to tell something," he reported a minute later.

"Then ask the drydock if they have heard."

"They don't know anything about it yet," he said, when he had called them up.

"How far is it down there?"

"It's pretty nearly seven miles, I guess."

"Well, call up —" a livery stable and ask them if they can send us a fast horse to go down there and back by three o'clock. Do you think you can find the way in the dark? If not, get somebody to go with you. I know it's past the Rouge, but that's all. You will have to find a telephone and call us up on it, or it will be too late for the city edition. I don't suppose that fellow at the dock will let you use the 'phone and you will probably have some fun waking people up at that time of night. If you think it's a scoop we will throw it up." Which in newspaper parlance meant that if the other papers did not get it the account would be given the most prominent place in the paper.

Ten minutes later the reporter and a friend who said he knew the way were going rapidly out Fort street on their cold ride to the coal dock. "By George," muttered the newspaper man, "if this fog doesn't clear away I see our finish in one of those Eocene marshes. I wish I had worn my overcoat; I'm being slowly frozen to death. Say! I wonder how the C. E. expects me to find anything such a night as this? This infernal fog is getting so thick that if we want to change our positions we will have to cut a piece out with our knives. Keep a watch or we'll run down the fort."

A hail from a lonely sentinel at the fort told them when they passed it; otherwise they could not have told whether they were near or far from its howling walls. Once a breath of wind for a moment lifted the thick veil of fog, and they saw, not three feet away, the waters of the Rouge river floating silently and swiftly toward the larger stream farther on. The horse had strayed from the road, and another step or two would have taken them into the black waters. With a muttered adjuration the reporter climbed out of the buggy and led the horse back to the road. "With I had thought to put in a life preserver. It's half past one, and we have probably three miles to go yet," he said, as he lit a match and looked at his watch.

The horse stumbled on something in the investigation showed that they had crossed the railroad track. Finally he tumbled on some planks, and they were on the Rouge river bridge.

"We might just as well stop unless we can find somebody who knows the road perfectly," the newspaper man said. "If we try to go through that swamp the paper will have an extra death notice to-morrow, and I haven't always been good," he added, grimly.

"I will try and wake somebody in this cottage, if you like."

"And get a dose of cold lead in your system as a result," was the cheerful rejoinder. "Well, you might as well sacrifice yourself for the good of the cause. If they shoot, tell them not to aim at me."

A window was raised in response to the pounding on the door. "What you want?" "Spoke I'm going to be waked up at three o'clock. Must bank we ran all night restaurant. I'm got wan gud mind for to give you some little duck-shot." He had no opportunity, however, for before he had finished there was no one to shoot at.

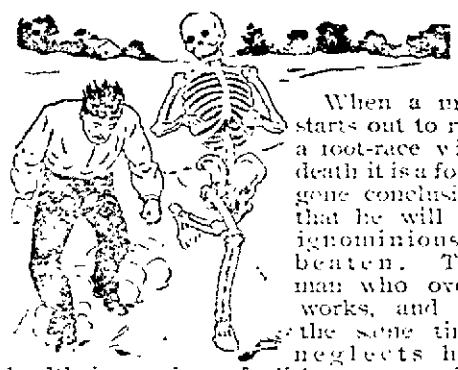
"Say, old man, there is no use of your being so grouchy," sang out the reporter. "I want a man to guide me to Smith's coal dock."

"You want me for to go de duck on night like dees. No, snir, I'll not get out dees house. Guess dees little man's too wise for to go foolin' round de mosh at night time," he chuckled.

"Come, now, I'll give you a dollar to take us, and you can ride in the buggy. It won't take more than an hour."

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The total cost of the proceedings was \$12,000, a very small sum indeed when it is remembered how bitter and determined was the fight put up by the sixteen railroads affected by the change, who were backed by all the milk producers in the outlying districts. The contributions made amounted to about \$9,000 leaving \$3,000 for which the officers are personally responsible.

The officers served without pay and did a great deal of hard work, the only effective work ever done by any association of Orange county farmers that has grappled with the milk question. It is a modest injustice that these men who have done so much for Orange county interests should be compelled to pay for the privilege of serving their fellow citizens. It would be a burning shame for the men best fitted by their zealous, intelligent and faithful efforts to leave them in the lurch.

Middletown and Wallkill contributed to the expense fund \$669 and of this sum \$200 was given by two men, C. Macarand and the late John H. Drake. Goshen and Chester gave \$1,100 each; Warwick \$1,300; Blooming Grove \$727; Crawford \$308, and other towns smaller sums. It will be seen by the figures above given that Middletown and Wallkill have done much less proportionately than other localities and Col. Burt hopes for a generous response to the appeal that will be made for contributions to free the association from debt.

The pro rata freight rate is worth to Orange county \$21.90 a year on every one of milk sent to the New York market. It is the only practical thing ever done to improve the lot of Orange county farmers. It is worth having and it is worth paying for.

GRACE CHURCH WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Meeting at Mrs. D. C. McMonagle's. Interesting Address by Rev. G. C. Betts, of Goshen.

Mrs. Vanamee, of Newburgh, was present at the monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Church held at Mrs. D. C. McMonagle's house yesterday. The Rev. G. C. Betts also was present from Goshen and gave an interesting talk. About forty ladies were in attendance and at the close of the meeting refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Edward McNiff's home, on East Main street.

PORT JERVIS STREET RAILROAD

Arrival of the Engine—Good Progress Being Made With Track Laying.

The 150 horse power engine that will run the generators in the power house of the Port Jervis Electric Railroad reached the village, Wednesday.

The work of track laying is completed on Ball and Front streets and the rails are laid to the top of Pike street hill. The contractor put on a number of new laborers today.

An Elderly County Pauper's Suicide.

William Reeves, twenty years old, an inmate of the County almshouse, escaped from the institution Monday night and Tuesday morning his dead body was found along the Wallkill Railroad track, mutilated by a passing train. Reeves had made several attempts at suicide and is supposed to have thrown himself under the car wheels.

Sold at Her Father's Sale.

Deputy Sheriff Faulkner sold, this morning, all the real estate and interest that the Deegan Plumbing Company held on the 23rd day of October in the goods in the store, formerly occupied by the company. It was bid in for Charles Higham by Thomas Watts, for \$30.

He Strove to Laugh in the Shaming.

Miss Minnie Bales, an employee of the city water works, caught her shoe in the shaming, Wednesday afternoon. She was released from her dangerous predicament without accident, but in the excitement of the incident one young woman fainted.

Entertained the St. Elizabeth Society.

Mrs. F. J. Nease entertained the members of the St. Elizabeth Society at whist, Wednesday afternoon, at her home on Fulton street. Refreshments were served, and the party broke up about 6:30.

Cure Your Stomach.

You can quickly do this by using South American Nerveine. It can cure every case of weak stomach in the world. It always cures, never fails. It knows no failure. It will gladden your heart and put sunshine into your life. It is a most surprising cure. A weak stomach and broken nerves will drag you down to death. South American Nerveine will help you immediately. No failure; no eye-cures; never disappoints. Lovely to take. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist, Middletown, N. Y.

Patience to misery. Don't's Ointment will cure the worst case of itching piles there ever was, and do it almost instantly. Yours of suffering relieved in a single night. Get Don's Ointment from your dealer.



AN EXCEPTION.

Physicians seldom prescribe a proprietary medicine. There are so many worthless preparations that every reputable doctor must be absolutely convinced of their curative virtues before he will have anything to do with them. No physician will take any chances in such matters. In many cases

Dr David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy

is prescribed by eminent practitioners. They find it better than any prescriptions they can write themselves. They find it cures kidney, urinary, blood and liver diseases when their own prescriptions fail. They know it has helped them save lives which could not have been saved without it.

Dr. W. H. Morse is one of the foremost professional men in New Jersey. His laboratory is at Westfield, N. J. He has examined Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy chemically and tested it therapeutically. I do not know Dr. Kennedy, but consider his Favorite Remedy a grand discovery. Dr. Morse tells of cases it has cured that had been pronounced incurable.

\$1 a bottle; six bottles, \$5. At any drug store.

Hogan Rollers Furnishing Power For Government Work.

The November number of *Compressed Air*, a journal, as its name indicates, "devoted to the useful application of compressed air," contains a long illustrated article on the use of compressed air in building the Delaware breakwater. Among the illustrations is a cut of three Hogan rollers, of 125 horse-power each, which furnish steam to the compressor. Only one fireman is required to attend the three rollers, a fact of which *Compressed Air* makes special mention.

Newburgh's Y. M. C. A. Buys an Up Town Property.

O. M. Cleveland, acting for the directors of Newburgh's Y. M. C. A., bought, Wednesday, the Jacob's property on Liberty street, which was sold at foreclosure sale. The price paid was \$7,200. It is proposed to occupy the building when the Association's present building can be sold or rented.

Catarrh Is a Disease

Which requires a constitutional remedy. It cannot be cured by local applications. Hood's Sarsaparilla is wonderfully successful in curing catarrh, because it eradicates from the blood the scrofulous taints which cause it. Sufferers with catarrh find a cure in Hood's Sarsaparilla, even after other remedies utterly fail.

Hood's PILLS are prompt, efficient, always reliable, easy to take, easy to operate.

What Do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more GRAIN-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. GRAIN-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about one-fourth as much. All grocers sell it. Fifteen and twenty-five cents.

A Giant Nerve Builder.

The Mystic Life Renewer is the most powerful nerve-builder known. It absolutely cures all forms of nervous diseases and weakness no matter how aggravated or of how long duration, such as neuritis, nervous prostration, nervous prostrations, St. Vitus's dance, palpitation of the heart, physical and mental weakness, debility of old age etc. Sold by J. E. Mills, No. 2 Empire Block, Druggists, Middletown.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

New York, Dec. 21, '17.	
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